

APPROVED
BEACH REDEVELOPMENT BOARD
100 NORTH ANDREWS AVENUE
8th FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33301
Monday, April 18, 2016, 2:30 P.M.

MEMBERS	FEB 2016/JAN 2017				
	REGULAR MTGS		SPECIAL MTGS		
		Present	Absent	Present	Absent
Anthony Abbate, Chair	A	1	1	1	0
Ina Lee, Vice Chair	A	0	2	1	0
Abby Laughlin	P	2	0	1	0
Christian Luz	P	2	0	1	0
Thomas B. McManus	A	1	1	0	1
Andy Mitchell, Jr. (arr. 2:38 p.m.)	P	1	1	1	0
Judith Scher	P	1	1	0	1
Tim Schiavone	P	2	0	1	0
Shirley Smith	P	2	0	1	0
Aiton Yaari	P	1	1	1	0

Staff

Don Morris, Economic and Business Development Manager
Cija Omengebar, Economic Development Aide
Jamie Opperee, Recording Secretary, Prototype, Inc.

Presenters and Guests

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Mr. Morris called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m. He asked the Board to appoint a person to run the meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Yaari, seconded by Ms. Smith, to appoint Tim Schiavone to be temporary Chair. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Quorum Requirement

As of this date there were 10 appointed members to the Board, which means 6 would constitute a quorum. It was noted there was a quorum at the commencement of the meeting.

II. Approval of BRAB Minutes January 27, 2016

Mr. Morris said he received an email from Chair Abbate, who recommended two changes to the minutes as follows:

- Date of the header should be "January 27, 2016" instead of "January 27, 21016"
- p. 7, 2nd paragraph, "Charlotte Rodstein" should be replaced with "Charlotte Rodstrom"

III. Approval of BRAB Minutes February 15, 2016 (addressed later)

IV. Approval of Joint BID/BRAB Minutes March 14, 2016

Mr. Morris said Chair Abbate also recommended a change to the March 14, 2016, minutes as follows:

- p. 6, paragraph 5 - revise to read: "Art Seitz, Fort Lauderdale Florida resident since 1972 and former BRAB member, said the CRA has been using its money as a 'slush fund.' He spoke about the Aquatic Center and wanted to know what would be done about the waste of money. He called for an investigation. BID Chair Fernandez asked Mr. Seitz to restrict his comments to lighting."

Motion made by Mr. Yaari, seconded by Ms. Scher, to accept the recommended amendments proposed by Mr. Abbate to the January 27, 2016, minutes and the March 14, 2016, minutes.

Art Seitz, former BRAB member from 2010, said he wanted the minutes to reflect what he said, which he claimed had been "censored" and "butchered." He wanted a three-year investigation of the Beach CRA, and wanted the people that were on the Board that had conflicts of interest to be investigated by an auditor.

Mr. Yaari recommended that Mr. Seitz send an email with all of his explanations. Mr. Seitz said he cannot get a transcript because the minutes have not been published yet.

[Mr. Mitchell arrived at 2:38 p.m.]

Temporary Chair Schiavone informed Mr. Seitz that he would ask Mr. Morris about the transcript and "steer him" in the direction he needs to go.

Mr. Morris recalled they have had similar conversations before with Mr. Seitz. He reiterated they do not do verbatim minutes. Chair Abbate reviewed the minutes on his own time. He said they do not pay the stenographer to do verbatim minutes, and if they want them, they pay extra. Mr. Seitz said he would pay for a verbatim transcript.

Temporary Chair Schiavone said they could take the matter to the company that does the minutes and get a verbatim transcript. Mr. Morris said he would find out what it would cost and let Mr. Seitz know. Mr. Seitz can then decide if he wants to pay for the transcription. Mr. Morris said the transcript would then come back to the Board for approval.

Motion made by Mr. Yaari, seconded by Ms. Scher, to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2016, minutes as corrected. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously (7-0).

Motion made by Mr. Yaari, seconded by Ms. Scher, to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2016, minutes as presented. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously (7-0).

Motion made by Mr. Yaari, seconded by Ms. Scher, to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2016, minutes with the correction and with the following caveat: staff will take the March 14, 2016, minutes; Mr. Morris will get a verbatim and bring them back for review. The minutes may be amended once that is done. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously (7-0).

V. New/Old Business

Mr. Yaari thanked the City of Fort Lauderdale for supporting the Tortuga Festival, noting it was the best one.

Mr. Morris said they are trying to set the second meeting with the City Commission to look at the cost estimates for the Aquatic Center. They are targeting the third week in May, which could replace the BRAB regular meeting if the Board so desires. Once he knows the Commission's availability, he will send the notice out to the Board.

Mr. Morris confirmed that the City Commission meeting on April 19 would discuss the 30%, and they would discuss the 60% at the May meeting.

Hearing no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

[Minutes transcribed by J. Rubin, Prototype, Inc.]